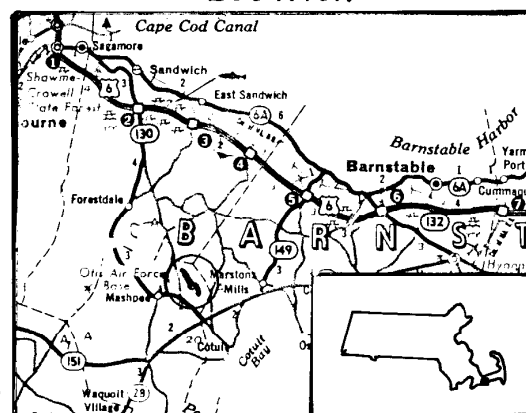


SANTUIT POND
 (MASHPEE)
 AREA = 172 Acres

LOCATION



NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES

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General Information:

This shallow, 172 acre warm water pond has a maximum depth of 9 feet and an average depth of 5 feet. The bottom is predominantly sand overlain with muck, with some areas of gravel and rubble. Transparency is good, extending to the bottom even in the deepest hole. Aquatic vegetation is abundant, although much of it is submerged. The shoreline is moderately developed and generally steep and wooded.

The pond is located about a mile north of Route 28 and east of Route 130. The access is at the end of Hornbeam Street, which is off Sandwich/Cotuit Road a little north of its junction with Route 130. The access is a town right-of-way with a dirt ramp suitable for car top boats, canoes and light trailer boats. There is parking for approximately six vehicles.

Fish Populations:

This pond was last surveyed in 1979, at which time nine species were recorded present: largemouth bass, chain pickerel, golden shiner, pumpkinseed, alewife, yellow perch, brown bullhead, white sucker and white perch.

Fishing:

Due to the length of time since the last fisheries survey was conducted, we can only guess as to the current fishing opportunities offered at this pond. Unless it has become acidified, it is likely that it remains a fair bass pond. Pickerel should still be abundant, perhaps providing some truly intense action, but they will tend to be on the small side. Yellow perch will offer some panfish action, but individuals over 9 inches are probably scarce. According to recent reports, this pond is producing some very large brown bullheads, so panfishermen may want to target that species. Try fishing for them on the bottom on early summer evenings. A slip-sinker rig baited with nightcrawlers or small dead shiners should produce results. Boat anglers may want to concentrate their efforts off one of the two inlet streams.

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